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1. (Unclassified - PLC) A call was made to Mr. Thomas Vail, Chief Counsel, Senate Finance Committee, to determine the chance of passage of S. 3535. The bill provides for a two-week suspension of Federal withholding income taxes to avoid the excessive payment of taxes by the end of the year. The call was requested by Mr. John Longenecker, Office of Finance, since maximum lead time would be required if the bill became law. According to Mr. Vail, the bill stands a "0 to 5%" chance of passage. He stated there is very strong opposition to the bill from Federal agencies and private employers due to the tremendous bookkeeping involved. He also noted that there is a voluntary system of equalizing the withholding of income taxes through increasing the number of personal exemptions.

2. (Unclassified - JMM) In the absence of Robert Blum, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, I called Robert Biles, also a member of the staff, regarding Senator Fulbright's 16 May letter to Harry Little regarding access to SSU files on China and Indochina. I told Biles that Mr. Little and I had wanted to get in touch with Blum to discuss the problem and see how we could be helpful. Biles said Blum would not be back for two weeks but there might be someone else that would like to talk to us. Otherwise he would have Blum call us upon his return.

3. (Internal Use Only - RJK) Delivered to the offices of Senators Charles McC. Mathias (R., Md.), Edward Kennedy (D., Mass.), Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), Philip Hart (D., Mich.), Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.), and J. W. Fulbright (D., Ark.) FBIS items in which their names were mentioned.

4. (Unclassified - RJK) Delivered the Agency Chief of State publication to Larry Barker, on the staff of Senator Thomas Eagleton (D., Mo.), per his request.

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5. (Unclassified - GLC) [] DDI Graphics, and I
went to Senator Ellender's office today and [] inspected the rather unique
world map which Senator Ellender has on his wall and which he asked the
Director if we could duplicate. The map was printed by Army Map Service
in 1944 on the basis of a map from African sources and has long since been
out of print. [] is looking into various possibilities for accommodating
the Senator's request and will be back in touch with us.

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7. (Confidential - GLC) Checked with George Murphy, Joint Committee
on Atomic Energy staff, concerning the Director's briefing of the Committee
at 2 p.m. on 13 June. Murphy said this was still a firm date with the Committee
and agreed with our approach to brief the Committee on Soviet nuclear weapons
delivery systems and to be prepared to update any other areas which were
covered by the Director in his February briefing. Murphy mentioned the
Director should also expect to be questioned about certain aspects of the SALT
agreement. All of the above has been passed to []

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25X1 9. (Secret - JGO) After the briefing by the Director and Mr. Colby, I met with Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that as a followup the Director should provide the Committee with a spread sheet on the tactical intelligence programs of DOD and a summary by departments. [REDACTED] IC, has been advised. Preston told me that such a spread sheet had been provided for the Committee by someone last year. 25X1

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11. (Secret - JMM) Accompanied the Director who briefed the Special Group of House Appropriations Committee on the community and Agency budgets. See Memo for Record. 25X1

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